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FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

This copy is supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement mailed on April 29, 2002, September 23, 2002, July 17, 2003, January 8, 2004, and March 15, 2004.

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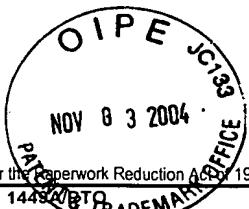
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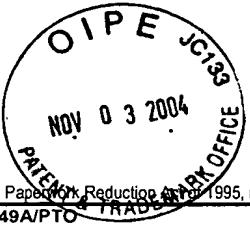
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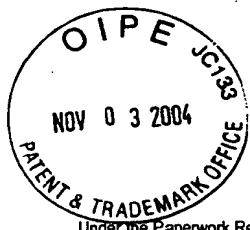
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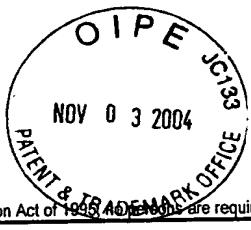
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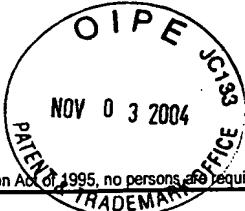
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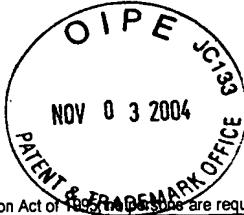
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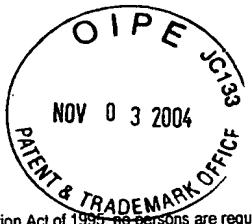
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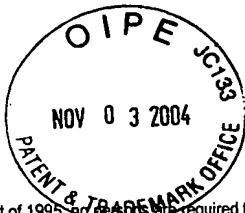
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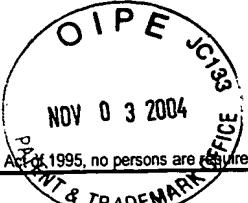
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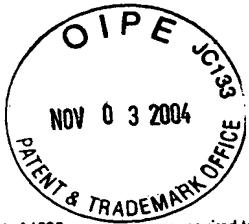
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